



Gilbert Wayne Babcock

May 19, 1927 - January 19, 2017

Gilbert Wayne "Gil" Babcock, 89, of Santa Margarita passed peacefully at home on Thursday, January 19, 2017. Gil was born May 19, 1927 in Livingston, Montana. He served in the United States Armed Forces (army) at Fort Beale, CA in 1945. He moved to SLO in 1947, where he met his wife Dolores Neville and they were married in 1950. Gil owned and operated the Anderson Barber Shop for many years before moving to the historic 8 Mile House along the Cuesta Grade in 1977.

He operated Gasoline Alley Antiques in Santa Margarita for 27 years. He authored the book "Bridle Bits of the Old West". Soon after the death of their beloved son Randy in 2001, Gil and Dolores retired from the antique business. Gil was an accomplished antique restorer, and he and Dolores spent many years traveling the US searching for estate sales. He enjoyed making wine and gardening. He spent many years hunting and fishing throughout the west. His true passion was conversation. He loved sitting around the kitchen table telling stories. From fishing trips to Alaska, to growing up during the depression, Gil spun wonderful, colorful stories that were enjoyed by family and friends alike. He was preceded in death by his son Randy Babcock. He is survived by his wife of 66 years Dolores Babcock, his brother Doug Babcock of McMinneville, Oregon, daughter in law Susan Babcock of Atascadero and many nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, January 26th at 11:00 am at the Zion Lutheran Church at 1010 Foothill Blvd. in San Luis Obispo. Committal will take place at

2 p.m at Santa Margarita District Cemetery.

Donations can be made to the charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 26. 11:00 AM (PT)

Zion Lutheran Church
1010 Foothill Blvd
San Luis Obispo, CA 93405
revjpgross@zionslo.com
<http://zionslo.com/>

Celebration of Life

JAN 26. 12:00 PM (PT)

Zion Lutheran Church
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Graveside

JAN 26. 2:00 PM (PT)

Santa Margarita District Cemetery
606 E Pozo rd
San Margarita, CA 93453